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Phil Isenberg, Chairman, and Council Members Delta Stewardship Council Attn: Christopher M. Knopp, Executive Officer 980 Ninth Street, Suite 1500 Sacramento, California 95814

REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION TO COMMENT PERIODS ON THE FINAL DELTA PLAN, SUPPLEMENT TO DRAFT PROGRAM EIR, AND DRAFT REGULATIONS FOR FINAL DELTA PLAN

At your meeting of November 15, 2012, the Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) announced that the concurrent public review periods for the DSC"s Final Delta Plan (FDP), the Supplement to the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report for the Final Delta Plan (SPEIR), and the corresponding Draft Regulations (DR) released by the California Office of Administrative Law will run for 45 days, from November 30, 2012 through January 14, 2013.

The Grupe Company ("Grupe") intends to thoroughly review and comment on the above-referenced documents. However, due to the complexity, importance, and significance of these documents on our company and the fact that the review periods fall during a major holiday season, Grupe is respectfully and officially requesting that the DSC extend the concurrent public review periods for an additional 90 days, ending on April 15, 2013.

We look forward to your favorable response to our time extension request. Grupe is committed to our continued coordination with the DSC members and DSC staff in the review of these documents and the future adoption and implementation of the Delta Plan. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this request, please contact me at (209) 473-6024.

Sincerely,

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General Counsel